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~~LEE~~ MOLLY JACKSON

Seattle, Washington
November 7, 1943

MEMORANDUM:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent MAX L. GREENSTREET dated October 13, 1943 at Portland, Oregon, captioned "Communist Party, USA, 12th District, Portland Field Division; Internal Security - C." This report sets forth membership lists of various branches of the Communist Party in the Portland area.

On page two of the above mentioned report it is indicated that this information was furnished to Special Agents ELVIN L. BARTON and Special Agent MAX L. GREENSTREET by a highly confidential source on September 8, 1943.

The membership list of the Vancouver Branch at Vancouver, Washington is set forth on page 17 of this report as follows:

VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON BRANCH

<u>BOOK NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
29706	JIM NEWKIRK	3027 V Street, Vancouver, Washington	
29707	LILA NEWKIRK	Same address	
29701	JEANNIE PARTENEN	Route 5, Box 44 Vancouver, Washington	
29703	OIVA PARTENEN	Same address	
-----	CARL SYVANEN	4512 McLaughlin Heights Vancouver, Washington	
-----	HELEN SYVANEN	Same address	
29704	CARL ERICSON	1004 West 12th St., Vancouver, Washington	
-----	CHARLES QUIGLEY	800 West 12th, Vancouver	
29734	HAROLD SHAPIRO	305 S. E. 30th Place Portland, Oregon	(Organizer)

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<u>BOOK NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
29733	ESTHER SHAPIRO	Same address	(Wife of HAROLD SHAPIRO)
40379	LOU FRANKEL	1499 Ogden Meadows Vancouver, Wash.	(Deleted from list; on leave of Absence list)
40380	ANET FRANKEL	Same address	(Deleted from list)
29703	BURT RUSSEL	Trees Auto Court, Vancouver	(Deleted from list)
29705	JOE RUSSEL	Same address	
Book lost	RUTH HANSEN	McLoughlin Heights Vancouver, Washington	
Book lost	IRWIN HANSEN	same address	
Book lost	DON GARRISON	same address	
40515	H. L. HULL	P.O. Box 703, Vancouver	
39959	IRENE HULL	Same address	(Secy. of Branch)
40539	W. J. HULL	4101 Main St., Vancouver	
40539	VIVIAN HULL	Same address	
40377	WILLIAM JONES	Rt. 1, Box 1530, Vancouver, Wash.	(Literature Agent for Branch)
39971	JULIA JONES	Same address	
40529	EINO NEIMI	747 Ogden Meadows Vancouver, Wash.	
40280	JACK ROBBINS	Hudson House, Vancouver	
-----	GEORGE THOMAS	same address	
18932	SOL LEIBICK	Hudson House F-303 Vancouver, Washington	

<u>BOOK NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
40535	JOHN O. ISBARIAN	Ogden Meadows, Vancouver	
40530	MackINLEY BURT (negro)	Hudson House, J-79 Vancouver, Washington	
40872	SIMON FRANKEL	Hudson House, L-15, Vancouver, Washington	(Machinist)
40874	SANTIEGO PACHECO	Hudson House, F-303 Vancouver, Washington	Painter
40871	CLIFTON S. HILL	Hudson House, Vancouver	Sheet Metal Worker
40864	JOSEPH CRAMER	Hudson House, L-96 Vancouver	Sheet Metal Worker
40860	NORMAN MACK	Hudson House, L-96 Vancouver, Washington	Electrician
40853	RAPHAEL FRANCIS	Hudson House, L-293 Vancouver, Washington	Electrician
40875	CLINTON A. HAWKINS	Hudson House, V-257 Vancouver, Washington	
40867	WILLIAM GLASS	Hudson House, K-92 Vancouver, Washington	Boilermaker
40863	NATHANIEL B. STIGGERS	Hudson House, Vancouver	Welder
40854	MARTIN COHN	Hudson House, B-2 Vancouver, Washington	Electrician
40865	GUS STAMOS	1216-C, McLaughlin Heights Garrison Road, Vancouver, Washington	
40868	HAZEL GARLAND	1216-C, McLaughlin Heights Vancouver, Wash.	Electrician
40851	JAMES GARLAND	Same	Electrician

<u>BOOK NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
40866	MOLLY JACKSON 	1216-C, McLaughlin Heights Vancouver	Housewife
40531	MILDRED NIES	McLaughlin Heights 7821-J, E. 10th St. Vancouver, Washington	
40858	M. G. CAREY	Hudson House, L-27 Vancouver, Washington	
40857	JOHN MIKKULA	528 Ogden Meadows Vancouver, Washington	
40856	PHYLIS MIKKULA	528 Ogden Meadows Vancouver, Washington	

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Seattle, Washington
March 17, 1944

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MEMORANDUM

Re: VANCOUVER BRANCH, COMMUNIST
PARTY, U.S.A.

On February 25, 1944 pictures of the following individuals who are reported to be members of the Vancouver Branch of the Communist Party were exhibited to [redacted] who is a member of the Vancouver Branch of the Communist Party and who has recently been developed as an informant on Communist Party activities at Vancouver, Washington. [redacted] was unable to identify any of the following individuals as members of this branch of the Communist Party, stating he had never observed any of them at meetings of the Vancouver Branch of the Communist Party which he had himself attended:

MARTIN COHN
JOSEPH CRAMER
LOU FRANKEL
ANET FRANKEL
SIMON FRANKEL

WILLIAM GLASS
CLIFTON S. HILL
VIVIAN HULL
MILDRED NIES
CHARLES F. QUIGLEY
GUST STAMOS

[redacted] was also questioned regarding his knowledge of the Communist activities of the following individual who are also reported to be members of the Vancouver Branch of the Communist Party. In this connection it should be pointed out [redacted] although he is a paid-up member of the Vancouver Branch of the Communist Party and holds a 1944 membership book in this branch, has not attended a meeting of the branch since the early part of October 1943. However, the individuals mentioned in this memorandum have been reported as members of this branch of the Communist Party from a membership list made up in August 1943.

[redacted] advises that the names of the following individuals are not familiar to him, and that he knew nothing of their membership in the Vancouver Branch of the Communist Party:

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DON GARRISON
FRANK KING (Negro)
JAMES GARLAND
CARL ERICSON
HELEN SYVANEN

HAZEL GARLAND
~~MOLLY JACKSON~~
EINO NEIMI
JOSEPH THOMAS (Negro)
JOHN MIKKOLA

PHYLLIS MIKKOLA
ARTHUR C. SHIPP (Negro)
BEN SHAW, with alias Ben Shatzky
BESSIE WALD, with alias, Bessie Shatzky

NATHANIEL R. JOHNSON JR., SA

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON**

FILE NO. **100-14852**

REPORT MADE AT Seattle, Washington	DATE WHEN MADE 5-19-44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-9, 2-17, 18, 22, 23, 25, 4-21; 5-9-44	REPORT MADE BY NATHANIEL R. JOHNSON, Jr. PS
TITLE MOLLY JACKSON, with aliases, Mollie Jackson, Mrs. Gust Stamos, "Aunt Molly"			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Efforts to develop personal history of subject through general sources of information at Vancouver, Washington, negative. Subject resides 1219 H East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington, in extra marital relationship with GUST STAMOS, member of Vancouver, Washington, branch CP. Formerly resided 25 Broome Street, New York City. Present occupation housewife. Reported recruited into Vancouver branch of CP in July, 1943. Congratulated on joining CP by RICHARD STOVALL, former Executive Secretary, Multnomah County, Oregon, CP, by letter dated 7-24-43. Subject's name appears on membership list of Vancouver branch CP as holder of 1943 CP Membership Book #40866. Contacted in December, 1943, by JAMES A. MURPHY, former Executive Secretary, Oregon State CP regarding payment of dues. Activities of subject as member Vancouver branch CP unknown to confidential informant. Records of Clark County SO and Vancouver PD negative.

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Details:

AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

- PERSONAL HISTORY -

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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The following sources of information at Vancouver, Washington, were checked in an effort to determine the subject's citizenship status and to develop information regarding her personal background with negative results:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Person Contacted</u>
Kaiser Shipyards	BARBARA BATES
McLaughlin Heights Rental Office	Mrs. GRACE BREIGHS
OPA Ration Board, Vancouver, Wash.	DOROTHY KESLER
Womens Division, Permanente Hospital, Vancouver, Washington	JOANN CRANE
Voters Registration Bureau, Clarke County	Mrs. H. R. BECKFORD
Voters Registration Bureau, City of Vancouver, Washington	FERN JORDAN
Confidential Source A	

Records of the McLaughlin Heights branch Post Office were checked by Mrs. RUTH ANDERSON and revealed that on October 14, 1943, a forwarding address was left in the name of Aunt MOLLY JACKSON and GUST and MARY STAMOS notifying the post office that they had moved from 5819 D 1st South, McLaughlin Heights, to 1219 H East 76th Street, McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington.

Accordingly, the records of the McLaughlin Heights Rental Office furnished by Miss BARBARA TAYLOR, were reviewed by the writer and revealed that GUST STAMOS leased the apartment located at 1219 H East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, on October 12, 1943. STAMOS on his application for housing listed his family as follows:

GUST STAMOS	age 46
MARY IDA STAMOS	age 54
JIM STEWART (step son)	age 38.

STAMOS also listed the information that he had moved from New York City to Vancouver, Washington, in July, 1943. It is also noted that in his application for housing, he requested to be near JIM GARLAND, who by way of information, is known to be a member of the Vancouver branch of the CP. It is noted that GUST STAMOS did not list the subject under the name MOLLY JACKSON as a member of his family and as a resident of 1219 H East 76th Avenue. In this connection, reference is made to the report of Special Agent ALBERT J. KLEIN dated at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, March 24, 1944, in the case entitled GUST STAMOS, with aliases,

Security Matter - C, wherein it is reflected that the files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Philadelphia, reflect that independent investigations by the Immigration Service regarding GUST STAMOS as an applicant for naturalization, revealed that he had been living in extra marital relationship with his mother in law, MOLLIE JACKSON. The true name of the wife of GUST STAMOS is IDA SHAW and not MARY IDA STAMOS as he listed in his application for housing in the McLaughlin Heights Project.

According to the files of the Immigration Service, GUST STAMOS left his true wife, IDA SHAW in 1931 and in the same year assumed marital relationship with his mother in law, MOLLIE JACKSON, claiming never to have located his legal wife since her departure. It is further noted that a Mrs. MOLLIE JACKSON, 25 Broome Street, New York City, executed an affidavit in GUST STAMOS' behalf in connection with his application for naturalization on January 5, 1942.

Further reference is made to the report of Special Agent JOHN E. KEANE dated at New York City March 30, 1944, in the case entitled GUST STAMOS, with aliases, Security Matter - C wherein it is reflected the Selective Service file of GUST STAMOS furnished the information that he was married to IDA SHAW and had separated from her. In his Selective Service file GUST STAMOS listed his nearest relative as being Mrs. MARY STAMOS, 25 Broome Street, New York City. He also listed the information that from 1940 to 1941 he was employed as a chef by MOLLIE JACKSON at 25 Broome Street, New York City. It is believed that subject possibly uses the names MOLLIE JACKSON and MARY IDA STAMOS interchangeably and is presently residing in extra marital relationship with GUST STAMOS at 1219 H East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington.

According to the records of the Clerk of the Superior Court, Clark County, Vancouver, Washington, GUST STAMOS was issued Certificate of Naturalization No. 6036172 on November 19, 1943. His true name is CONSTANTINOS STAMOS STAMATELATOS but by order of the court on November 19, 1943, his name was officially changed to GUST STAMOS. The records of the court further revealed that MOLLY JACKSON, 1219 H East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington, and HAZEL GARLAND, 1216 C Garrison Road, McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington, acted as witnesses for GUST STAMOS in his application for a certificate of naturalization. By way of information, HAZEL GARLAND is the wife of JAMES C. GARLAND and is known to be a member of the Vancouver branch of the Communist Party.

Mrs. E. H. WRIGHT, 1219 E East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington, advised that "Aunt Molly" lived at 1219 H East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, with her husband. No other individuals reside at this address. According to Mrs. WRIGHT the subject is a very radical person on all questions and does not limit her radicalism to political or economic viewpoints. Mrs. WRIGHT stated people in the neighborhood are frankly afraid of the subject. Subject is not employed but acts as a housewife for her husband who is employed as an electrician at the Kaiser Shipyards in Vancouver, Washington. Mrs. WRIGHT further stated subject is always distributing patriotic literature of some nature citing as an example, a pamphlet distributed by the subject on how to conserve beef fats for war use. Recently the subject made a door to door canvass for money for some patriotic cause the nature of which Mrs. WRIGHT could not recall. Mrs. WRIGHT also advised the subject is originally from Kentucky although she came to Vancouver, Washington, from New York City.

Mrs. E. I. JOHNSON, 1219 A East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, also verified the fact that only the subject and her husband reside at 1219 H East 76th Avenue. According to Mrs. JOHNSON, the subject advised her that GUST STAMOS is her second husband. Mrs. JOHNSON knew nothing regarding the subject's possible radical activities in the neighborhood since she only recently moved into the neighborhood and was not well acquainted with the subject.

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- COMMUNIST PARTY ACTIVITIES -

Confidential Informant [redacted] furnished Special Agent MAX L. GREENSTREET with a letter written by HAROLD SHAPIRO to RED STOVALL (FRANK RICHARD STOVALL), former Executive Secretary of the Multnomah County Communist Party dated July 16, 1943. HAROLD SHAPIRO was the chairman and organizer of the Vancouver branch of the Communist Party throughout the year 1943 and is presently a CP functionary in Portland, Oregon. The pertinent section of this letter regarding the subject is quoted as follows:

"That Molly Jackson "recruit" is the Aunt Molly Jackson. Quite a character - if that is not an uncomradely description."

(Signed) Hal.

[redacted] also furnished an envelope postmarked at Portland, Oregon, July 20, 1943, bearing the return address 204 Postal Building, Portland, Oregon, which is the CP headquarters. This envelope was addressed to MOLLY JACKSON, McLaughlin Heights, 1216 - C,

Vancouver, Washington. The envelope had been returned unclaimed and contained a mimeographed letter by FRANK RICHARD STOVALL, former Executive Secretary of the Multnomah County Communist Party, advising the subject of the WILLIAM Z. FOSTER meeting to be held in Portland, Oregon, July 24, 1943. At the bottom of the mimeographed letter appeared a handwritten notation by STOVALL which is quoted as follows:

"Congratulations on your joining our Party. Your Branch Secretary will have your book at the next meeting."

On December 30, 1943, Confidential Informant [redacted] furnished Special Agent HOWARD W. JENNINGS with the information that JAMES A. MURPHY, former Executive Secretary of the Oregon State Communist Party, wrote to MOLLY JACKSON regarding her dues payments in the CP. FOIA b 7 D

On February 25, 1944, Confidential Informant T-1 who is a member of the Vancouver, Washington, branch of the CP, was contacted by the writer in an effort to identify the subject as an active member of this branch. T-1 stated that he himself had not recently attended meetings of the branch but had actively attended branch meetings throughout the summer and fall of 1943 and had never met the subject or GUST STAMOS at any of the branch meetings. T-1 advised that it was possible subject might have attended one of the meetings where there was a large attendance and he had not met all of the individuals present but she was apparently not very active in the affairs of the branch or in the discussions ensuing at the branch meetings or he would certainly have noticed her or been introduced to her.

Records of the Clark County Sheriff's Office and the Vancouver, Washington, Police Department were checked regarding the subject with negative results.

- DESCRIPTION -

The following physical description of the subject was obtained from observation by witnesses:

Age	60
Height	5' 5"
Weight	170
Hair	Black, streaked with gray

Eyes
Complexion
Build
Peculiarities

Brown
Dark
Heavy
Talks loudly; dresses in a
sloppy fashion; favors gaudy
colors in dress.

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THE SEATTLE FIELD DIVISION

AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

Will interview the subject at her residence, 1219 H East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, under pretext, and endeavor to obtain from her information regarding her citizenship and previous employment.

Will recontact Confidential Informant T-1 in an effort to identify the subject as being presently active in the Vancouver, Washington, branch of the CP.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

Confidential Source A

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON**

FILE NO. **100-14852**

REPORT MADE AT Seattle, Washington	DATE WHEN MADE 8/3/44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/5/44 7/26/44	REPORT MADE BY JOHN D. FURRH, JR. DD
TITLE Changed MOLLY JACKSON, with aliases, Mollie Jackson, Mrs. Gust Stamos, "Aunt Molly"; nee MARY MAGDALENE GARLAND			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

MOLLIE JACKSON born Bruskey Branch, Clay County, Kentucky on 10/30/1880. Subject allegedly taught folk music at New York University from 1932 to 1943. She claims to be District Organizer for the United War Relief Agencies at McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent NATHANIEL R. JOHNSON, JR. Seattle, Wn. dated 5/19/44

DETAILS:

The title of this case is being changed to reflect the maiden name of Subject which was MARY MAGDALENE GARLAND.

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At Vancouver, Washington.

MOLLY JACKSON was interviewed on the pretext of Special Agent LEONARD RAYMOND VINER on June 5, 1944, at which time the following information was obtained.

Subject disclosed that she was born at Brushey Branch, Clay County, Kentucky, on October 30, 1880. According to JACKSON, she was a very renowned mid-wife in Horse Creek, Clay County and Harlan County, when she was young. JACKSON further disclosed that she was nationally famous as a folk song singer and as a folk song composer. It was learned from MOLLY JACKSON that she was born under the name of MARY MAGDALENE GARLAND and that she later married her first husband, named JACKSON. The subject's first husband died in a coal mine accident which appeared to have had quite a profound effect upon the subject since she numerous times mentioned the lack of preventive measures in the coal mines which caused her first husband's death and further stated that she wrote several folk songs about the hardships endured by the coal miners in Kentucky. According to MOLLY JACKSON, she also wrote a very well-known folk song about "The Mine Worker's Child," which related the cruelty of the mine operators. It was very easy to observe that MOLLY JACKSON was rather vehement against the treatment by the coal operators of the coal miners.

According to the subject, she had an accident in 1930 when a bus belonging to the Toledo Bus Company, Toledo, Ohio, hit her and she was rather seriously injured. Later the subject taught folk music in the Washington Square Branch of New York University in New York City from 1932 to 1943. During the same period, while she was teaching at New York University, JACKSON stated she sang songs on the radio program of the American School of the Air for the Columbia Broadcasting Company. The subject said that she has some 240 songs on file at the Congressional Library in Washington D. C. According to MOLLY JACKSON, she is a district organizer for the United War Relief Agencies at McLaughlin Heights where she resides, and she also minds the children of war workers in her community.

From the way MOLLY JACKSON talked, it appeared she was very friendly with RAYMOND HAYCOCK who was the musical director for Queens County, New York, and is very well acquainted with JOHN VANCE of the Congressional Library in Washington D. C., who is a member of the Civil Liberties League.

MOLLY JACKSON expressed her desire for the re-election of FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT and during the conversation expressed her sincere dislike for JOHN L. LEWIS, whom she claims has sold out the miners. The subject advised the writer that she intends to write the story of her life in the near future and publicize it all over the country.

The following description and information concerning the subject was obtained during the interview with her: MOLLY JACKSON, nee MARY MAGDALENE GARLAND, alias Mrs. GUST STAMOS, Mrs. GUST STAMATELETOS, and MOLLY JACKSON; 1219 H East 76th Avenue, McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver; female; white; married; 63 years old; born October 30, 1880, Clay County, Kentucky; about 5' 5"; about 170 pounds; black hair streaked with grey; green-grey eyes; wrinkled complexion; talks loudly and with mountaineer accent; has gold tooth in the front center of her upper set of teeth; is stoop-shouldered; occasionally wears reading glasses.

This case is being closed in accordance with instructions received in Bureau Bulletin #40, Series 1944, dated 7/13/44.

- C L O S E D -

OFFICE MEMORANDUM *

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

DATE: October 24, 1951

FROM : JOHN R. BRECKENRIDGE, SA

SUBJECT: 12TH DISTRICT COMMUNIST PARTY
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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On October 20, 1951, the writer and Special Agent STEVE S. CARTER contacted Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

Informant advised that on October 15, 1951, he obtained in the near proximity of quarters formerly occupied by the Washington State Communist Party, numerous typewritten lists of names believed to be names of individuals who had signed various petitions circulated by the party.

One of these petitions was captioned "Free the 12." This was not an original petition but was a typewritten copy believed prepared by the Washington State Communist Party Office.

The following name appeared on this petition:

Mal Jackson, Standard Hotel

The typewritten copy as furnished by the informant is being placed in [REDACTED]

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